Commission on Human Rights

The Kentucky Human Rights Commission will meet Thursday to rule on discrimination complaints

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The Kentucky Commission on Human Rights Board of Commissioners will meet Thursday, Jan. 19, 2012, at 9:30 a.m. (EST) at its headquarters located at 332 W. Broadway, the Heyburn Building, 2nd Floor Conference Room, in Louisville, Ky., 40206. The public is invited to this open meeting.

The Board will rule on 26 discrimination complaints and expects to rule on three conciliation agreements. One conciliation agreement is based in the city of Richmond, Ky., on the protected class of family status in housing. One is based in the city of Morehead, Ky., on the protected class of disability in housing. The third is based in the city of Louisville on the protected class of disability in public accommodations.

Conciliation agreements are similar to settlement agreements and are negotiated by commission discrimination complaint investigators and attorneys.

The Kentucky Commission on Human Rights is the state government agency that enforces the Kentucky Civil Rights Act and the U.S. Civil Rights Act. These laws make discrimination illegal. The Kentucky Civil Rights Act protects people from discrimination based on the protected classes of race, color, sex, religion, national origin, age, disability, family status, and tobaccosmoking status. These are protected with varying stipulations in the areas of employment, public accommodations, housing, and financial transactions.

For more information or to ask for help regarding discrimination, contact the Kentucky Commission on Human Rights at 1.800.292.5566. Visit the website at www.kchr.ky.gov to learn more about civil rights. From this web site, access the commission's Facebook and Twitter pages where civil rights news from a wide variety of media is published.